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As interesting as the act looks physically, spiritually the contents are not to be taken for a joke. Many readers would dismiss our response as mere behavioral challenged attempt but to those critics, many of them know what they have that we do not have (demonic powers). What you do not know is that a lot of educated Africans today have witchcraft spirits and are hiding under glorious places deceiving many people that they are holy. Pastor Selina Marfo of Dominion Hour says “ There are many demons in the church today, they sit right beside you during church services”. Open your eyes and know that God cannot be deceived and do not be deceived by charlatans.(Matthew 6:2 ; Mark 7:6; Luke 6:42;)



The sacrifice sheep

Our article has been prompted by concerns about the way some of our young people are going. What future are we going to build for the next generation if disagreements cannot be amicably solved? That, they resort to engaging spirit beings for interventions in human affairs is very troubling. Spirituality, if you do your research well or is trained or have the real gift, is not a joke (Oldman Mbiri of Gyankobo). We are speaking from our experience in conducting extensive research by using primary, secondary and tertiary sources for quality information and resources.





By what they did, their acts fall under spiritual invocation: Note that there are difference between grievance imprecations and spiritual invocations: (Professor K. Agyekum). What is grievance imprecation? Is a curse one invokes on a suspect when an act has already been committed. In Spiritual Invocation, the person or the perpetrators carry out the rites with a view that suspects or the suspect would commit that blunder or the act under which he/she or the group is calling on the deities to respond for it to be effective. According to Professor Agyekum and some spiritual masters we had interaction with, a lot of things take place when such rites are done. Elements identified always in a curse are the 1. Aggrieved party 2. The Priest or the shrine/ Individual that is to do the rites 3. The deity beings (spirits to be summoned) 4. The sacrificial items (drinks, eggs, animals i.e chicken, sheep/goats, cow and many more. 5. The suspect or perceived suspect. 6. Venue/Place for the Invocation. For the curse to work properly, all these elements has be present.

Now if you analyze the young people's invocation video closely, everything was present except that the young men acted as their own priests in such a delicate rites. In most of the time, either the person has the experience in doing such things/has apprenticed some traditional priest before or has some demonic spirits that support his/her ability to invoke deities' power to cause havoc. No grievance imprecation is invoked to do any good. All rites point to diabolic intentions.

During the rites, according to Professor Agyekum, certain words has to be judiciously used and a challenge thrown at the deity daring him/her to undertake a daunting task with a promise to reward the deity after the aggrieved party's wish is done. Note that, nothing is free in this world, so the post-fulfillment requirements are strictly enforced by the deity and his attending spiritual leaders. This is where an ordinary start to a rite can invite troubling danger to a whole family. The perpetrators in the video have not only started a protracted journey into the realm of paranormal which may be very detrimental, dangerous and tragic to many generations of their own families if appropriate thanksgiving and taking oneself from under the protection of the deity is not done. Is this worth it, young people? Why risk your own personal soul and family's life for peanuts from ambitious politicians? Do you remember hearing generational curses? These are some of the beginnings: It is as simple as this but has long term ramifications for many generations who are very innocent.

Shouldn't we educate our young people of today to know the real meaning of politics so that they can appreciate the fact that difference in opinions , policies and approaches in governing a country does not mean letting our emotions overtake their intelligence? After all, is Ghana not for all of us? Why get involved in irresponsible and dangerous machinations?

A word to the wise is enough, Long live Ghana. Peace to our motherland.

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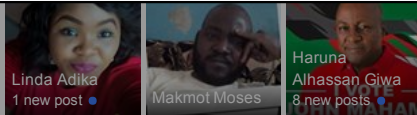
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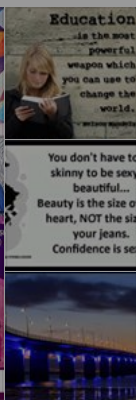
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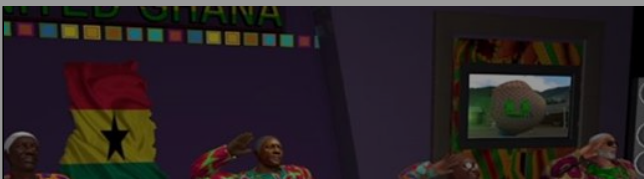


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